

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 **Claim 1 (original):** A loading device for a cable
2 comprising:
3 a leader with a first end and a second end;
4 a jacket enclosing the leader; and
5 means for attaching the second end of the leader to
6 the cable;
7 wherein the first end of the leader is used for
8 pulling the leader through the jacket.

1 **Claim 2 (original):** A cable loading device as set forth in
2 claim 1, wherein the leader is made from a material that
3 slides and elongates during pulling.

1 **Claim 3 (original):** A cable loading device as set forth in
2 claim 1, wherein the leader is made from a felt.

1 **Claim 4 (original):** A cable loading device as set forth in
2 claim 1, wherein the jacket is made from PVC.

1 **Claim 5 (original):** A cable loading device as set forth in
2 claim 1, wherein the means for attaching the leader to the

3 cable is by a staple.

1 **Claim 6 (original):** A cable loading device as set forth in
2 claim 1, wherein the means for attaching the leader to the
3 cable is by an adhesive material.

1 **Claim 7 (original):** A cable loading device as set forth in
2 claim 1, wherein the means for attaching the leader to the
3 cable is by a clip.

1 **Claim 8 (original):** A cable loading device as set forth in
2 claim 1, wherein the means for attaching the leader to the
3 cable is by a band.

1 **Claim 9 (original):** A cable loading device as set forth in
2 claim 3, wherein the felt is made from a non-woven
3 polyester fiber.

1 **Claim 10 (original):** A cable loading device as set forth in
2 claim 9, wherein the non-woven polyester fiber is a needle
3 loom fiber which is mechanically interlocked.

Claims 11-31 (cancelled)

1 **Claim 32 (new):** A jacket assembly for a cable, the jacket

2 assembly comprising:

3 an elongated jacket comprising a first open end and a
4 second open end;

5 a leader extending within the jacket from the first
6 open end to the second open end;

7 a first end of the leader for attachment to a cable;
8 and

9 a second end of the leader for pulling the leader out
10 of the elongated jacket while the first end of the leader
11 pulls the cable into the elongated jacket.

1 **Claim 33 (new):** A jacket assembly according to claim 32,
2 wherein the leader comprises a material that narrows as the
3 leader is elongated by a pulling force.

1 **Claim 34 (new):** A jacket assembly according to claim 32,
2 wherein the elongated jacket comprises a flattened tube for
3 accommodating a ribbon cable.

1 **Claim 35 (new):** A jacket assembly according to claim 32,
2 wherein the leader comprises non-woven fibers.

1 **Claim 36 (new):** A jacket assembly according to claim 32,
2 wherein the jacket comprises vinyl.

1 **Claim 37 (new):** A jacket assembly for a ribbon cable, the

2 jacket assembly comprising:

3 an elongated vinyl jacket comprising a flattened tube-
4 shaped outer wall, a first open end, a second open end, and
5 an inner surface of the outer wall;

6 a felt leader extending in a longitudinal direction
7 within the jacket from the first open end to the second
8 open end;

9 a first end of the felt leader for attachment to a
10 ribbon cable; and

11 a second end of the felt leader for pulling the felt
12 leader out of the elongated jacket while the first end of
13 the felt leader pulls the cable into the elongated vinyl
14 jacket, wherein the felt leader narrows and pulls away from
15 the inner surface of the outer wall when a pulling force is
16 applied to the second end of the felt leader in the
17 longitudinal direction.

1 **Claim 38 (new):** A jacket assembly according to claim 37,
2 wherein the felt leader is shaped as a continuous strip for
3 having dimensions being approximately the same as
4 dimensions of the ribbon cable.

1 **Claim 39 (new):** A jacket assembly according to claim 37,
2 wherein the vinyl jacket has been extruded around the felt
3 leader.

1 **Claim 40 (new):** A jacket assembly according to claim 37,
2 wherein the vinyl jacket comprises PVC.

1 **Claim 41 (new):** A jacket assembly according to claim 37,
2 wherein the jacket assembly is provided as a roll for
3 cutting off a desired length.